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+IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE MUI

In re Application of

GARRISON et al.

: Group Art Unit: 3623

Serial No. 08/994,047

: Examiner: Kyle Choi

Filed: December 19, 1997

For: AN ELECTRONIC BILL PAYMENT SYSTEM WITH MERCHANT

**IDENTIFICATION** 

## **AMENDMENT**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Official Action dated August 16, 2002, the time for response to which is up to and including November 16, 2002. Please amend the above referenced application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows (See also attached Specification Amendment Appendix):

Page 1, lines 1-5, please delete the second paragraph entitled "Cross-Reference" to Related Applications" in its entirety and substitute the following therefore: